



**PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. **PRMG-06684**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: John W. Shultz, Martin K. Lewis, Christine Andrews  
Serial No.: 09/995,912                      Group No.: 1634  
Filed: 11/28/01                      Examiner: Arun K. Chakrabarti  
Entitled: RNA Polymers and Uses Thereof

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED  
AUGUST 26, 2003**

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Dated: October 27, 2003

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*Susan M. McClintock*

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Sir/Madam:

The following communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 26, 2003, with response to provoke Advisory Action due on or before October 26, 2003, and Response to Final Office Action/Notice of Appeal due on or before November 26, 2003. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Application in view of the following remarks.

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	38	—	23	0	×	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	—	3	0	×	86.00	\$0.00

TOTAL DUE \$0.00

1. No additional fees are due at this time.
2. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the payment of the required fees, and/or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-1290. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Dated: October 27, 2003

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